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It is clear that Microsoft has violated anti-trust law by engaging in unsavory business practices for many years. I feel strongly that the company should be *punished* (not slapped on the wrist). I support:

1. dividing the company into an operating systems group and an applications/services group.

Windows should sink or swim according to its own merits, as should the company's applications and services. The monopoly profits from the operating system should not be used to unfairly support inferior products/services.

2. requiring a large cash penalty (actual money, not a donation of goods and services) to a trust which will go toward school technology purchases.

Some of the enormous and illegal profits that Microsoft's business has generated should be taken from them. I can think of no better place to use the money than in our troubled school system.

thank you,

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